



State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 492

By Representative Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to commend Lynda and Greg Van Hook for their commitment to helping those with intellectual disabilities.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Lynda and Greg Van Hook are two such estimable people who evince the greatest integrity and probity in all their chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, originally from Deland, Florida, the Van Hooks have been highly respected and admired members of the Blount County community since 1989; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Van Hook serve with acumen and alacrity as the owners of Van Hook, Inc., a nurturing and compassionate facility designed for intellectually challenged adults, and are also ardent and generous supporters of Special Olympics; and

WHEREAS, Lynda Van Hook obtained her Master's degree from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville and has cultivated a reputation as one of the most talented and astute businesswomen in the region; and

WHEREAS, Greg Van Hook enjoyed a successful career in the music industry and owned a thriving production company in Florida, which headlined a plethora of talented musicians, including the world-renowned Beach Boys; and

WHEREAS, deeply devoted to their community, state, and country, the Van Hooks work assiduously to establish a brighter future for their fellow citizens through their participation in the political process and their support of public servants who adhere to their noble values and ideals; and

WHEREAS, this awe-inspiring couple take pleasure in the many distinctive and traditional pastimes that make our state remarkable; feline fanciers, firearm enthusiasts, and Harley riders, the Van Hooks enjoy collecting antique cars and cheering on the University of Tennessee Football Team; and

WHEREAS, the Van Hooks' extraordinary success as public servants and civic leaders is directly attributable to their reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and their uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Lynda and Greg Van Hook are extremely giving people who often reach out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, and they epitomize the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, their many accomplishments aside, Mr. and Mrs. Van Hook are most grateful for the love and companionship they share with each other, their daughter, and their two beautiful grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Lynda and Greg Van Hook are wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and they should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

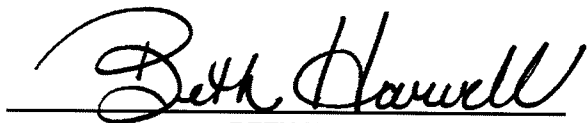
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we recognize and commend Lynda and Greg Van Hook for their honorable and astute service to the good people of Tennessee, salute their commitment to helping those with intellectual disabilities, and extend to them our best wishes for every future success.

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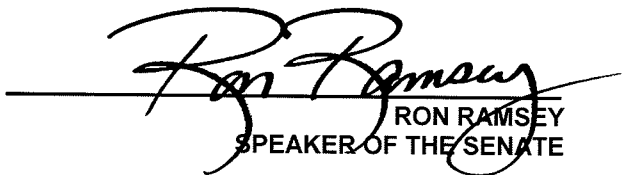
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: MAY 19, 2011



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 26th day of May 2011


BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR